

REMARKS

This response is intended as a full and complete response to the final Office Action mailed August 23, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner notes that claims 1-21, 23-28 and 30-39 are pending and rejected.

In view of the following discussion, Applicants submit that all of the claims now pending in the application are in condition for allowance.

It is to be understood that Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's characterizations of the art of record or to Applicants' subject matter recited in the pending claims. Further, Applicants are not acquiescing to the Examiner's statements as to the applicability of the art of record to the pending claims by filing the instant response.

REJECTIONS

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

A Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) is submitted herewith.

CONCLUSION

Thus, Applicants submit that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Michael Bentley at (732) 383-1434 or Mr. Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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